CITY OF SNOQUALMIE OFFICE OF THE HEARING EXAMINER

Project File Nos.: WHW 17-0001; MOD 17-0001; CUP 17-0002 Related Permit: MUCR 17-0004

CITY'S RESPONSE TO APPLICANT'S POST-HEARING BRIEF, FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

The City of Snoqualmie ("City") submits the following Response to Applicant Panorama Apartments LLC's Post-Hearing Brief, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application 17-0002.

I. RESPONSE.

The testimony and exhibits submitted during the November 16, 2017, CUP hearing support the recommendation of approval with conditions made in the Community Development Department Advisory Report to the Hearing Examiner dated November 6, 2017 ("Advisory Report"). The Advisory Report addressed the addition of a fourth floor to five (5) of the proposed eleven (11) buildings under the criteria provided by the City Council in Snoqualmie Municipal Code ("SMC") 17.55.030 and section 4.1.6 of the Mixed Use Final Plan (MUFP) for Snoqualmie Ridge II. Advisory Report at 10 – 16.

At the hearing on November 16, 2017, the Applicant explained that the narrative section of the CUP application discussed only four (4) of the eleven (11) buildings requesting a fourth floor, but the exhibits submitted with the application depict and provide information for five (5) of the eleven (11) buildings having a fourth floor. Post Hearing brief at footnote 1. Public

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comment during the hearing by Adam Babcock also identified sections of the CUP application that discussed four, not five, buildings having a fourth story.

While there is an internal inconsistency between the application's narrative and the application's drawings, during review and analysis of the application the City analyzed the criteria and impacts for five (5) buildings with four stories. The Advisory Report provides evidence of this analysis at Findings of Fact 27, 32 – 34, 41, and 44; proposed Conclusions of Law 11; and in the Recommendation of approval, which is specific to buildings F, G, H, J and K.

II. CONCLUSION.

The City's Advisory Report provides the Hearing Examiner with proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law that were confirmed and further supported during the hearing held on November 16, 2017. The City recommends approval of the CUP application to allow apartment buildings F, G, H, J and K to be four-stories in height subject to the nine conditions described in the Advisory Report.

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